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SUBJECT: LEGAL ACTION CONCERNING USE OF CHLOROQUINE

1. SUIT WAS FILED IN TOKYO DISTRICT COURT ON 12/22 AGAINST MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND WELFARE, 6 PHARMACEUTICAL COMPANIES AND 12 PRIVATE MEDICAL INSTITUTIONS ASKING \$20 MILLION COMPENSATION TO 231 PERSONS FOR SIDE EFFECTS FROM USE OF CHLOROQUINE. NUMBER OF PEOPLE CLAIMING PHYSICAL INQUIRY IS CONSIDERABLY LESS, SINCE CLAIM FOR DAMAGES INCLUDES COMPENSATION TO RELATIVES OF AFFECTED PERSONS. 71 FAMILIES INVOLVED. SUIT IS IN NAME OF "ASSOCIATION OF CHLOROQUINE VICTIMS". ASSOCIATION SAYS IT WILL FILE ADDITIONAL SUIT NEXT JUNE.

2. PLAINTIFFS ALLEGE LOSS OR IMPAIRMENT OF EYESIGHT AS RESULT OF ADMINISTRATION OF CHLOROQUINE FOR TREATMENT OF KIDNEY OR RHEUMATIC DISORDERS.
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